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**ANNUAL MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT PROGRAM
REPORT AND SURVEY RESULTS**



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Executive Secretary George Lightbourn
Department of Administration
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Dear Secretary Lightbourn:

Enclosed is the second Annual Status Report for the Minority Undergraduate Retention Grant (MURG) Program. Submission of this report is in compliance with Section 39.44(5) of the Wisconsin Statutes, which requires a yearly report regarding the effectiveness of the MURG Program.

If you have any questions about this report or about the MURG Program, please feel free to contact me by phone at 264-6181 or by e-mail at jane.hojan-clark@heab.state.wi.us.

Sincerely,

Jane Hojan-Clark
Executive Secretary

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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT PROGRAM
Annual Effectiveness Report

The Minority Undergraduate Retention Grant (MURG) Program was established by the State of Wisconsin Legislature in the 1985-87 biennial budget. 1986-87 was the first year an award was made under the program.

Awards under the MURG Program are made to Wisconsin resident minority undergraduates, excluding first year students, enrolled at least half-time in Wisconsin Technical College System Schools or non-profit, independent colleges and universities. There are 15 technical colleges and 25 non-profit colleges and universities participating in the program. According to statutes, a minority student is defined as a student who is either a Black American, American Indian, Hispanic, or Southeast Asian admitted to the United States after December 1, 1975.

Awards are based on financial need. There is a minimum grant of \$250 and a maximum grant of \$2,500 per year. If eligible, a student may receive the grant for up to eight semesters or 12 quarters. Assignment of funds is made based on the minority population at each participating school. This information is based on an annual survey of the schools. The University of Wisconsin System Administration has a similar program, the Lawton Grant, for students attending those institutions.

Nine pages of tables and graphs are attached. They show final figures for the 2001-02 academic year and the results of surveys of participating schools and student recipients.

- Pages 3 and 4 show the spending for the MURG Program for 2001-02 by sector and school.
- Page 5 shows the top five colleges or universities based on funding provided to students enrolled. 66.51 percent of the funds available were spent funding students enrolled at these schools. While the assignment is evenly divided between the two sectors, there are usually more awards for smaller amounts utilized in the Technical College Sector.
- Pages 6 and 7 show the results of the survey of participating schools.
- Pages 8 to 11 show the results of the survey of student recipients.

There were 622 recipients of a MURG in the 2001-02 academic year. 274 recipients attended a non-profit, independent college or university and 348 recipients attended a Wisconsin technical college. 18 percent of the recipients responded to the survey.

The results of the surveys of school and student recipients show that the MURG Program is very successful. Those individuals who were surveyed included students who received MURG Program grants during the 2001-02 academic year. Participating schools report that 79.26 percent of student recipients either completed their degree/certificate programs or continued to work towards obtaining their degree/certificate in 2002-03.

Among student recipients surveyed, 88.39 percent indicated that the grant positively affected their decision to return to or stay in school. 100 percent of the respondents either have earned a degree/certificate or continue to work towards obtaining a degree/certificate. In addition, over 83 percent of the recipients plan on living and working in Wisconsin for their working career.

2001-2002**MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT****INDEPENDENT COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES
AND TRIBAL COLLEGES**

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	DOLLARS SPENT	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	PERCENTAGE OF DOLLARS SPENT
ALVERNO COLLEGE	\$80,033	57	\$1,404	22.31%
BELLIN COLLEGE	\$1,160	1	\$1,160	0.32%
BELOIT COLLEGE	\$4,200	3	\$1,400	1.17%
CARDINAL STRITCH UNIVERSITY	\$42,750	35	\$1,221	11.92%
CARROLL COLLEGE	\$13,740	9	\$1,527	3.83%
CARTHAGE COLLEGE	\$7,260	7	\$1,037	2.02%
COLLEGE OF THE MENOMINEE NATION	\$12,050	6	\$2,008	3.36%
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY	\$34,975	15	\$2,332	9.75%
EDGEWOOD COLLEGE	\$5,650	5	\$1,130	1.57%
LAC COURTE OREILLES	\$25,330	18	\$1,407	7.06%
LAKELAND COLLEGE	\$9,420	4	\$2,355	2.63%
LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY	\$3,115	2	\$1,558	0.87%
MARANATHA COLLEGE	\$2,000	4	\$500	0.56%
MARIAN COLLEGE	\$8,562	17	\$504	2.39%
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY	\$48,330	23	\$2,101	13.47%
MILWAUKEE INSTITUTE OF ART AND DESIGN	\$9,570	8	\$1,196	2.67%
MILWAUKEE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING	\$11,680	7	\$1,669	3.26%
MOUNT MARY COLLEGE	\$15,890	19	\$836	4.43%
MOUNT SENARIO COLLEGE	\$4,210	10	\$421	1.17%
NORTHLAND COLLEGE	\$2,250	3	\$750	0.63%
RIPON COLLEGE	\$2,180	2	\$1,090	0.61%
ST NORBERT COLLEGE	\$4,491	6	\$749	1.25%
SILVER LAKE COLLEGE	\$3,260	6	\$543	0.91%
VITERBO COLLEGE	\$4,400	4	\$1,100	1.23%
WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE	\$2,240	3	\$747	0.62%
TOTAL	\$358,746	274	\$1,309	100.00%

YEAR IN SCHOOL	DOLLARS SPENT	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	PERCENTAGE OF DOLLARS SPENT
SOPHOMORES	\$125,781	93	\$1,352	35.06%
JUNIORS	\$123,958	92	\$1,347	34.55%
SENIORS	\$90,703	72	\$1,260	25.28%
5TH YEAR STUDENTS	\$18,304	17	\$1,077	5.10%
TOTAL	\$358,746	274	\$1,309	100.00%

STATUS OF RECIPIENTS	DOLLARS SPENT	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	PERCENTAGE OF DOLLARS SPENT
DEPENDENT	\$161,618	120	\$1,347	45.05%
INDEPENDENT, FAMILY	\$154,007	118	\$1,305	42.93%
SINGLE, INDEPENDENT	\$43,121	36	\$1,198	12.02%
TOTAL	\$358,746	274	\$1,309	100.00%

MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT BY GROUP	DOLLARS SPENT	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	PERCENTAGE OF DOLLARS SPENT
AFRICAN-AMERICAN	\$207,472	154	\$1,347	57.83%
AMERICAN INDIAN	\$44,459	32	\$1,389	12.39%
ASIAN-AMERICAN	\$32,985	31	\$1,064	9.19%
HISPANIC	\$73,830	57	\$1,295	20.58%
TOTAL	\$358,746	274	\$1,309	100.00%

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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT
WTC SYSTEM**

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	DOLLARS SPENT	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	PERCENTAGE OF DOLLARS SPENT
BLACKHAWK TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$7,770	9	\$863	2.15%
CHIPPEWA VALLEY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$2,630	4	\$658	0.73%
FOX VALLEY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$7,975	15	\$532	2.20%
GATEWAY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$6,070	21	\$289	1.68%
INDIANHEAD TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$3,247	3	\$1,082	0.90%
LAKESHORE TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$3,950	2	\$1,975	1.09%
MADISON AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$98,650	50	\$1,973	27.27%
MIDSTATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$2,370	5	\$474	0.66%
MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$209,438	208	\$1,007	57.89%
MORAINES PARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$1,480	2	\$740	0.41%
NICOLET AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$3,780	3	\$1,260	1.04%
NORTHEAST TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$6,086	9	\$676	1.68%
NORTHCENTRAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$1,600	2	\$800	0.44%
WAUKESHA COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$4,000	9	\$444	1.11%
WESTERN WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE	\$2,750	6	\$458	0.76%
TOTALS	\$361,796	348	\$1,040	100.00%

YEAR IN SCHOOL	DOLLARS SPENT	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	PERCENTAGE OF DOLLARS SPENT
2ND YEAR	\$278,400	260	\$1,071	76.95%
3RD YEAR	\$61,553	64	\$962	17.01%
4TH YEAR	\$21,843	24	\$910	6.04%
5TH YEAR STUDENTS	\$0	0	\$0	0.00%
TOTAL	\$361,796	348	\$1,040	100.00%

STATUS OF RECIPIENTS	DOLLARS SPENT	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	PERCENTAGE OF DOLLARS SPENT
DEPENDENT	\$50,763	50	\$1,015	14.03%
INDEPENDENT, FAMILY	\$246,302	241	\$1,022	68.08%
SINGLE, INDEPENDENT	\$64,731	57	\$1,136	17.89%
TOTAL	\$361,796	348	\$1,040	100.00%

MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT BY GROUP	DOLLARS SPENT	NUMBER OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	PERCENTAGE OF DOLLARS SPENT
AFRICAN- AMERICAN	\$234,685	218	\$1,077	64.87%
AMERICAN INDIAN	\$20,818	19	\$1,096	5.75%
ASIAN-AMERICAN	\$60,683	60	\$1,011	16.77%
HISPANIC	\$45,610	51	\$894	12.61%
TOTAL	\$361,796	348	\$1,040	100.00%

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TOP FIVE COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES
BASED ON FUNDING PROVIDED TO STUDENTS

<u>School</u>	<u>\$ Spent</u>	<u># of Awards</u>	<u>Average Award</u>
Milwaukee Area Technical College	\$209,438	208	\$1,007
Madison Area Technical College	\$ 98,650	50	\$1,973
Alverno College	\$ 80,033	57	\$1,404
Marquette University	\$ 48,330	23	\$2,101
Cardinal Stritch University	\$ 42,750	35	\$1,221
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TOTALS	\$479,201	373	\$1,285

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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT SURVEY
INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM SCHOOLS
TRIBAL COLLEGES

Independent Colleges and Universities/ Technical Colleges/ Tribal Colleges

Students who completed a degree/certificate	175	28.15%
Students continuing toward degree/certificate	318	51.13%
<u>Students not returning to school attended in 2001-02</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>20.74%</u>
 TOTALS	 622	 100%

Independent Colleges and Universities/Tribal Colleges

Students who completed a degree/certificate	75	27.39%
Students continuing toward degree/certificate	158	57.66%
<u>Students not returning to school attended in 2001-02</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>14.96%</u>
 TOTALS	 284	 100%

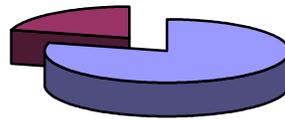
Technical College System Schools

Students who completed a degree/certificate	100	28.74%
Students continuing toward degree/certificate	160	45.98%
<u>Students not returning to school attended in 2001-02</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>25.29%</u>
 TOTALS	 348	 100%

NOTE: The students reported as "not returning to school" did not return to the school they attended in 2001-02. They could be attending a different school.

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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT SURVEY
INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES,
TECHNICAL COLLEGES AND TRIBAL COLLEGES
Enrollment Status of Recipients**

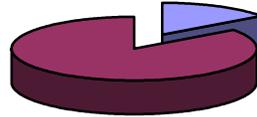
**DID NOT RETURN TO
SCHOOL IN 2002-03
20.74**



**GRADUATED OR
STILL ENROLLED
79.26%**

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INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AND TRIBAL COLLEGES
Enrollment Status of Recipients**

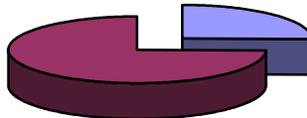
**DID NOT RETURN TO
SCHOOL IN 2002-03
14.96%**



**GRADUATED OR
STILL ENROLLED
85.04%**

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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT SURVEY
TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM SCHOOLS
Enrollment Status of Recipients**

**DID NOT RETURN TO
SCHOOL IN 2002-03
25.29%**



**GRADUATED OR
STILL ENROLLED
74.71%**

NOTE: The students reported "not returning to school" did not return to the school they attended in 2000-01. They could now be attending a different school.

**2001-02
MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT
SURVEY OF RECIPIENTS**

Responses By Student Recipients

1. Did receiving the Minority Retention Grant positively influence your decision to return to school?

YES	99	88.39%
NO	13	11.61%

2. Have you earned a bachelor or an associate degree/certificate?

YES	30	26.79%
NO	82	73.21%

3. If you have not earned a degree or certificate, do you anticipate doing so?

YES	83	74.11%
NO	29	25.89%

4. Are you or will you be enrolled at a college or university during the 2002-03 academic year?

YES	96	85.71%
NO	16	14.29%

5. If yes, are you or will you be enrolled:

Full-time	70	62.50%
Part-time	26	23.21%
Not enrolled	16	14.29%

6. Are you employed?

YES	70	66.96%
NO	26	33.04%

7. If yes, are you employed:

Full-time	32	28.57%
Part-time	43	38.39%
Not employed	37	33.04%

8. Do you plan to be a Wisconsin resident for most of your working career?

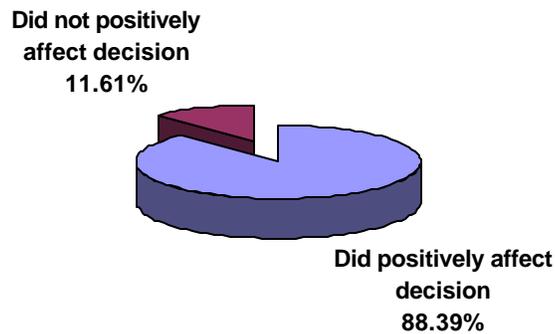
YES	93	83.04%
NO	19	16.96%

Note: The majority of recipients who responded are still in school. Some are continuing their work on a degree/certificate or are working on an advanced degree or certificate. This continuing work may or may not be at the school the recipient attended in 2001-02.

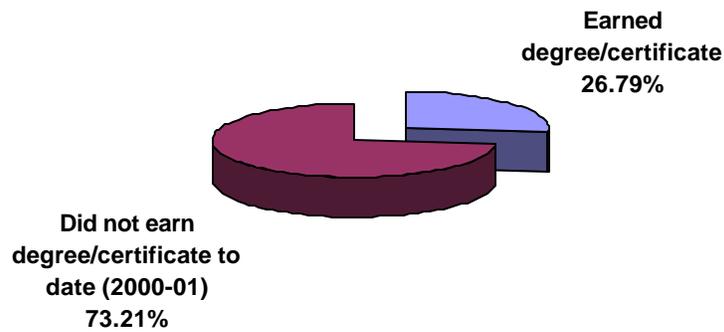
Many recipients of the MURG are continuing to pursue degrees. The continuing recipients are:

- Transferring from a technical college to a 4-year college.
- Transferring from one technical college program to a different technical college program.
- Moving from a 4-year college program to a Masters Degree program.
- Moving from one 4-year college program to a second 4-year college program.

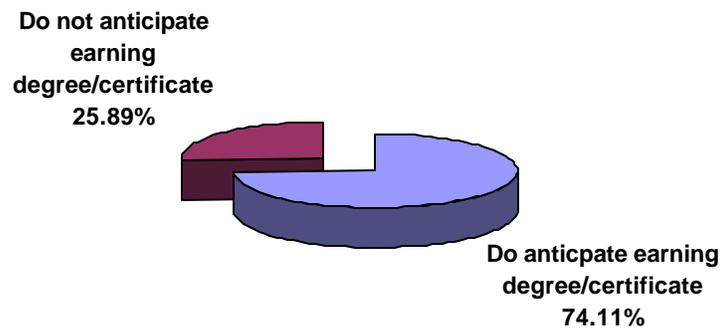
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Recipients who responded to whether or not the grant positively affected their decision to return to or stay in school



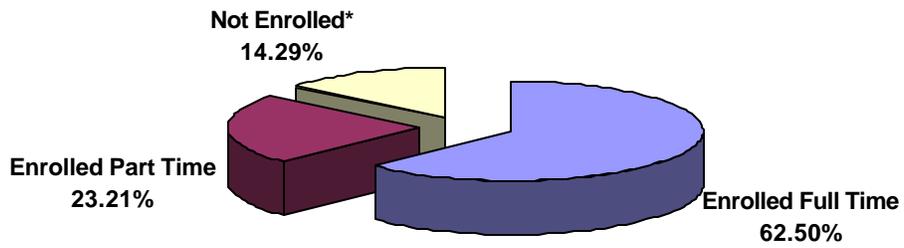
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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT SURVEY OF RECIPIENTS
Recipients who earned a Bachelor or an Associate Degree or Certificate



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Recipients anticipation to earn a degree or certificate

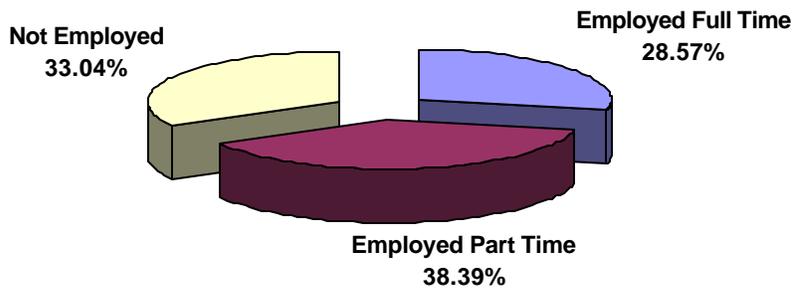


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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT SURVEY OF RECIPIENTS
 Recipient's enrollment status for the 2001-02 academic year



* Includes students who completed their degree/certificate in 2000-01.

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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT SURVEY OF RECIPIENTS
 Recipient's employment status for the 2001-02 academic year**



** Includes recipients who are enrolled in 2001-02 as well as recipients who are no longer enrolled in 2001-02 due to graduation, etc.

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MINORITY UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION GRANT SURVEY OF RECIPIENTS
 Recipient's plans to stay in Wisconsin for most of working career

